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## NO TRUCE ON XMAS FOR THE MEN AT FRONT

Holiday Passes With no Cessation in Furious Fighting.

### EACH COMMANDER CLAIMS GAINS

Reports of Victory on One Side Offset by Similar Claims by the Enemy. Battle in Air Over the Thimmes. The Most Spectacular Feature of Day.

By Associated Press.  
LONDON, Dec. 26.—Christmas has come and gone without a truce on the part of any of the warring nations of Europe. While there has been no cessation of military activity, nevertheless no day in action has occurred along either of the great battle fronts.

A spectacular element of the recent peace was supplied by an aerial duel between the German aircraft and two English biplanes over the Thimmes. This occurred Christmas day and was witnessed by several thousand people.

From Rotterdam comes news that the British have resumed the offensive at several points in Poland and that they have captured no fewer than 1,000 prisoners. To offset this, however, Berlin reports a military victory along the Dutch front.

An American unit is still making a courageous effort to strike down the valley of the Nida in the direction of Carfax. British observers are of the opinion that this movement will be too late to force the Austro-German attack in the center has really received its reported check.

General von Hindenburg, the German commander in the east, still keeps his present holding grip on the Ostpr. and seems to be making his present movement toward Warsaw from Thorn, northwest of the Polish capital, in West Prussia.

On the western battle line Paris reports eight attacks from November 24, while Berlin balances this with the claim that the Germans have taken some British trenches. The French on their side claim the capture of a trench near Valenciennes, which they held in spite of several counter attacks.

From Athens comes an incomplete report of the refusal of the Turkish authorities to permit the departure from Tripoli in Syria of the British and French consuls, and a number of British and French citizens on an American merchant ship under convey of an American cruiser. This refusal is said to have resulted in an attack by a Turkish crowd on the crew of the merchant ship, while the soldiers were embarking some Frenchmen.

The attack ceased, however, when the vessel threatened a bombardment. The cruiser subsequently sailed this vessel to Tripoli, 40 miles north of the landfall in Turkey.

### DANIELS WANTS TO KNOW ABOUT TURKISH TROUBLE

By Associated Press.  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Secretary Daniels today called on Captain Oran, commanding the armored cruiser North Carolina, and a number of threats of violence had been made by Turks at Tripoli against American sailors.

Athens dispatches published today said that an American warship had threatened to bombard the city of Tripoli. The North Carolina, and the Tennessee both are at Tripoli today. Tripoli is about 10 miles south of Tripoli, where the disorders are said to have occurred.

The report was that Turkish authorities sought to prevent the departure of American, British and French consuls, and that the attack on the American crew of a commercial ship and the threatened bombardment of Tripoli by the American man of war followed.

### SAYS U. S. STOPPED BIG GERMAN WAR TAX

By Associated Press.  
PARIS, Dec. 26.—German proclamation announcing a levy of \$100,000,000 indemnity at Brussels have been passed over, says the Journal. "The report is current that the measure was withdrawn by the German government as the result of representations by the American Secretary of State, William J. Bryan, through Mr. Brand Whitehead pointing out that the tax was in violation of the 1906 convention. It is announced that the Germans have imposed a tax of 25 francs on all unmarried persons over 27 years of age in Brussels."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Secretary Bryan today called on Mr. Brand Whitehead, American minister to Belgium, and when any action to be made the American authorities from Brussels, a way was found through the American ambassador in Brussels to the American minister to Belgium.

### AMERICAN PLANS JOINT APPROPRIATES GIFTS

By Associated Press.  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—A dispatch to the American minister to Belgium from Brussels today announced that the American minister to Belgium had received from the American minister to Belgium a list of gifts to be distributed through the American minister to Belgium for the American Christmas gifts distributed.

## CAR TAKES PLUNGE

Two Persons Seriously Hurt on Christmas Eve at Leith.

Two persons were seriously injured Thursday evening at a Leith. A Buick car of the West Penn Traction Company left the track at Leith and plunged into Leithon creek. Of the entire passenger list, numbering 54, few escaped unhurt. Several passengers were hurled to the chilly waters of the creek, two being plunged beneath the wreck in five feet of water.

The injured are: Charles McKee, 40, Leith, bruised hips; John Simon, 40, Leith, right leg broken, and scalp wound.

The car was bound for Uniontown from Leithon in charge of J. N. Matthews, motorman, and J. W. Jones, conductor.

As the car rounded the sharp curve near Leith, the rear trucks left the track. The front of the car struck the town of the White Star Transfer Company, driven by Elmer Ward, hurling him into the creek and throwing his team to the ground. The car crashed into a telegraph pole and continued its plunge into the creek. The rear end of the car was buried in the water five feet and escape from this place was impossible. The front end elevated at a 45 degree angle prevented escape at that end.

## LOTS OF MAIL

Holiday Mail is Greatest in History of Office, Says Postmaster.

Christmas mail and packages will be cleared out at the post office by noon today. Postmaster W. D. McGinnis this morning said that the mail this Christmas was 50 per cent heavier than in previous years. Uniontown claims it was 100 per cent heavier than previous years. The postmaster at Scottsdale says the mail there this Christmas was twice as great as in previous years.

To have looked in the postoffice on Thursday one would not think of hard times. The office is a busy place, the clerks are kept busy all day and the evening handling incoming and outgoing packages. Excellent progress was made in delivering the mountain mail of packages.

The postoffice observed holiday hours yesterday. There was no afternoon delivery.

## SUPERVISOR SURCHARGED

Upper Tyrone Auditors Fail to Approve Bill of \$88.00

Nathan King, a road supervisor of Upper Tyrone township, was surcharged by the auditors of the township with \$88.00 for furnishing sand and a team for work on the township roads. The money was paid the auditors December 21.

The other supervisors are Patrick McCavannah and Simon Warwick. The auditors are R. E. Klingensmith, J. W. Finley and Jefferson King.

## FLASHES NEW TAG

C. C. Mitchell First to Use 1915 License on His Automobile.

The first automobile license tag for 1915 appeared in Connellsville Thursday afternoon on the Hummel mobile owned by Charles C. Mitchell. The tag is light blue in color with large white figures.

Although this is the first to appear it is expected that it will not be long until more arrive as the auditors are ordering early this year to avoid a delay.

## REMEMBERS FRIENDS

Harry Lawrence Gives More Than Half of Estate in Bequests

The will of Harry G. Lawrence, for 15 years a resident of the Uniontown News Standard, was admitted to probate today. Mr. Lawrence left an estate of \$3,000, and of this sum more than \$1,500 is given to friends in the form of small bequests.

The estate consisted mostly of money derived from life insurance policies. Two brothers are named residuary legatees.

## HEARING NEXT MONTH

Dispute Over Michael Hurley's Will to Be Heard in Court

Announcement was made in Uniontown today that the hearing of the contest over the will of Michael Hurley, Connellsville's largest realty owner, would be heard on Tuesday, January 5.

The will has not yet been admitted to probate, but it is understood that exceptions have been filed to it.

## SPECIAL SERMONS

"Father and Son" to Be Topic at Church Services

"Father and Son" will be the text of practically all the sermons in local churches tomorrow. Secretary E. T. Lauer of the Y. M. C. A. will deliver the sermon in the Christian Church, tickets for the "Father and Son" subject to be held in the Y. M. C. A. New Year's Day will be on and at all the churches.

## HUNDREDS OF BASKETS GIVEN POOR ON XMAS

Fraternal Orders and the Salvation Army Make Day Happy for Many Unfortunates; Day is Quietly Observed Here; Ideal Weather Prevails in the Region; Turkeys and Dolls in Demand.

Christmas passed in the coke region without special incident. The day was ideal, for while it was cloudy it was not too cold for comfort. The cold was predicted by the weather man was a late arrival, because the mercury did not begin to sink until last night. It was just about cold enough all day Christmas, and the snow made sleighing possible for those who made indulgence in the old-fashioned pastime.

Santa Claus was generous as usual, and in few homes was there evidence of hard times. For the day, at least, dull care was banished.

In order to take Christmas into the homes of the poor, hundreds of baskets of food were distributed. The fraternal organizations, the Elks, Eagles and Moose, sent out nearly 300 baskets filled with chickens and other good things to eat. The Salvation Army distributed about 150 baskets. In addition to the baskets, the Salvation Army fed 13 men and clothed them at the home of Captain Harrison.

The day passed off quietly here, there being nothing of importance going on with the exception of the special programs at the moving picture houses.

Many of the Christmas shoppers who put their buying off until the last minute were disappointed Thursday evening when they came to buy turkeys, etc. These articles were not so high priced this year and while the early buyers found them out the merchants quickly sold their complete stocks.

Farmers who came to town with turkeys did a rushing business as the day wore on. Turkeys were sold here and there in the afternoon. Spruce is not a pine but it fills the place to some extent and many were glad to get any kind of a tree that trimmer could be placed upon.

The first assortment of trees that came to Connellsville were the best that have been seen here for some years and with the low prices they were quickly sold.

Another reason for the scarcity of trees this year was in previous years when the hardware stores closed their doors and did not think it profitable enough to order them again.

Turkeys also ran out on Thursday, not one being left in the city by noon. When the hardware stores closed in the evening there were but few left, if any.

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## INSURRECTION OF FILIPINOS IS PUT DOWN BY ARMY

Eight Arrests Follow an Abortive Christmas Eve Uprising.

By Associated Press.  
MANILA, Dec. 26.—Eight Filipinos have been arrested on the charge of insurrection as a result of an abortive uprising in Manila and its environs on Thursday night. Further arrests are probable.

From army sources it is learned that a general uprising was planned for Thursday afternoon starting at 4 o'clock. The plan was to attack all offices on Thursday afternoon starting at 4 o'clock. The plan was to attack all offices on Thursday afternoon starting at 4 o'clock.

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## COLD WAVE SEVERE

Whole Country is in the Grip of Zero Weather.

By Associated Press.  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—A cold wave held the country from the Mississippi river to the Atlantic coast in its grip today and broke December temperature records in many places. Thirty-four degrees below zero was recorded in New England, New York, West Virginia, Michigan, Illinois, Northern Missouri, Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota and North Dakota.

Lower temperatures were promised for tonight in the Southeast states but in the region of the Great Lakes, New York, New England and the Ohio Valley it will grow somewhat warmer. It will moderate also in the Middle Atlantic States, the upper Ohio valley and the lower Mississippi valley on Sunday. Generally fair weather was predicted for tonight and Sunday everywhere east of the Mississippi except that snow flurries are probable in the upper lake region.

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## J. D. MADIGAN RESIGNS

Will Retire from Pittsburgh Brewery on First of January.

Joseph D. Madigan has tendered his resignation as superintendent of the Connellsville plant of the Pittsburgh Brewing Company in this city, the resignation to take effect January 1st. This resignation terminates a long term of service with the corporation, dating back to the organization of the company and its purchase of many plants in the Pittsburgh district.

Twenty-five years ago Mr. Madigan was one of the organizers of the Connellsville Brewing Company, and he assisted in the construction of the plant in the north end of this city. Ten years later, when the Pittsburgh Brewing Company took over the Connellsville and Uniontown plants, with others, Mr. Madigan was made superintendent of the Connellsville plant, a position he has held since that time. For a short period, in the meantime, he was also superintendent of the Uniontown plant.

A feature of Mr. Madigan's retirement at this time is that he looks back over his long term of service knowing that during these many years his relations with the company's patrons have been cordial, but even more so have been his relations with the workers under his charge. Many of the employees who started operations with the Connellsville plant are still a part of its success, and all the men will learn with regret of Mr. Madigan's retirement at the close of the year. For the present Mr. Madigan will have his first real vacation in many years before deciding on plans for the future.

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## LIGHT ENGINE HITS THREE YOUNG MEN; ALL OF THEM DIE

Tragedy Casts Pall Over the Holiday for Morgan Valley

Noise of Train on Another Track Draws Warning of Its Approach; Harry Klingensmith, Thomas Loftus and James McNulty the Victims.

Two men were killed instantly and one so badly injured that he died some hours later, when they were struck by a Baltimore & Ohio engine, Thursday night as they were walking along the tracks between Morgan and Broad Ford when they heard a train approach. The noise it made drowned all sound of an approaching engine and caboose on the Baltimore & Ohio rails, parallel to the other tracks. The men stopped to see other rails directly in front of the engine and caboose. Engineer Charles Ellis of the Baltimore & Ohio locomotive was unable to stop his train in time to avoid running the men down.

The bodies of Klingensmith and Loftus were taken charge of by Funeral Director J. R. Sims and prepared for burial, while Funeral Director J. L. Stader took charge of McNulty's body.

Overcome with grief, the sisters of Loftus, who were among the first to arrive at the scene of the accident made an effort to take the body of their brother from the engine, but they were restrained by other spectators.

The body of McNulty was brought to Connellsville and removed to the Cottage State Hospital where it was found he was suffering from a fractured skull. He died yesterday morning.

Mr. Klingensmith was one of the best known residents of the Broad Ford valley. He was a partner with his brother, R. F. Klingensmith, in a general merchandise store at Broad Ford for the past six years and was a leader of the socialist party in that vicinity. Prior to engaging in business he worked in the Fair mine, having quit work five days before the collision at that mine. Later he worked in the mines at Banning.

During the existence of the Broad Ford baseball team he was captain and third baseman.

He married Miss Anna Taylor of Broad Ford in addition to his wife he is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Klingensmith, and the following brothers, R. F. Klingensmith, at home; Ray, of Uniontown; Lee, of Leisegang No. 2, and Kenneth, at that mine. Later he was a member of the Moose Lodge of Vandellville.

Funeral Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Hickory Square Church and short services will be held from the home at 1 o'clock. Interment at Scottdale.

Loftus was a son of James and Mary Loftus and in addition to his parents is survived by three sisters, Mary, Nellie, Bridget Loftus and two brothers, Frank and John Loftus. Funeral Sunday morning.

McNulty was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McNulty and is a nephew of Anthony McNulty, Trotter. His parents, one sister, Florence, and two brothers, William and Anthony, at home also survive. Funeral from the residence Monday morning at 7:45 o'clock; regular high mass will be celebrated at the Immaculate Conception Church with interment in Joseph's cemetery. McNulty was a roadman in the mines.

DISPUTE OVER MUSIC. Theatrical Men Quarrel and One of Them is Held for Court.

Charles Weasel, a theatrical man, was held for court when arraigned before Alderman Donagan this morning on a charge of larceny by bailles. F. O. Sprawl, part owner of the "Duck-Lug and Bachelor Club" show is the prosecutor.

Sprawl claims that he loaned Weasel music and he refused to return it when asked. Attorney S. R. Goldsmith represented the defendant and Attorney Fred Manson the prosecutor.

TO CHANGE LIGHTS. West Penn Will Begin Work on Street Lamps in Few Days.

The West Penn Electric Company will start work on the new city lights about the first of the year.

The new lights will not be installed for probably a month, but work on poles and wires will be started soon after the first of the year.

CORRY. Cold at Corry. Records for cold in northern Pennsylvania were broken here today when thermometers registered 24 to 30 degrees below zero.

THE WEATHER FORECAST. Fair tonight; Sunday increasing cloudiness and warmer.

The Temperature. 1914 1913. Maximum 24 41. Minimum 4 32. Mean 14 33.

The Young river fell during the night from three feet to 2.9 feet. The barometer will fall rapidly over night, according to a special warning sent out by Weather Forecaster Pennsylvania.

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Yesterday among children of dead soldiers.

The dispatch also explains the fact that from Serbia the result of bad weather and names Archibald Henderson, chief commander of the Austrian troops in force.

Official communiqué asserts that Austrian troops after a victorious action retreated from Serbia on account of bad weather, defeated and was unable to capture. Our losses were consequently exaggerated. In the meantime our attacks continue to gain ground," said the dispatch.

## GERMANS RITUALISTIC WHEN TOWN IS SHELLED

By Associated Press.

BERLIN, via wireless to London.—An official announcement was given out in Berlin this afternoon as follows:

Seven thousand during the night of December 25 attacks delivered by British troops were repulsed. The number of engagements with British and Indian troops near St. Hubert was the heaviest in the history of the war. Sixty men were taken prisoner while 14 machine guns, 12 mine throwers and other war material was captured. The enemy lost more than 2,000 dead on the field.

The English called for a cessation of hostilities to bury the dead. Our losses were comparatively small. Some minor engagements have taken place at Elben, southwest of Amiens, at T. de Val, northwest of Compiègne. We captured 100 prisoners.

In the Vosges and in Upper Alsace, and also at a point southwest of Alençon, there were small engagements yesterday. The evening of December 29 a French airplane threw two bombs on a certain small village. No troops were stationed at this place; there was only a hospital which was burned. No little town of Leblanc, France, was done. In reply to this attack, the French also threw bombs on the open town of Freiburg, which was defended, and outside the town a German airplane was captured. It was shot down into the hands of the French.

Several attacks in the vicinity of Paris have been repulsed and we have captured prisoners. In North Poland the Russian army has been repulsed. We have captured prisoners on the Dnieper river, the right bank of the Dnieper, southwest of Tomsk, our offensive action was successful. Everywhere to the south of station remaining unchanged.

FOUR INVESTIGATES WITH  
HALLS IN FRANCE.

By Associated Press.

PARIS, Dec. 26.—The official announcement given out by the French government yesterday afternoon relates that four men have been arrested with rifles in the hands of the German army in the rear of the German lines. It was reported at a number of points.

There was a fight near Freiburg and in Freiburg. Prisoners were also taken in Alsace on Christmas day.

## BUSINESS BETTER

Pittsburgh Coal District Is Benefited by the Cold Wave.

The severe weather that has been over the country for the past few days has been a great benefit to the coal business in this district. The cold has caused a great demand for coal, and the coal companies are reporting a very good business.

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## WEDDING AT DAWSON

Mrs. Reuben Grinn is Bride of Western Maryland Connection.

Mrs. Reuben Grinn of Dickerson, Md., and W. H. Hughes of Pittsburgh were united in marriage Thursday evening at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. A. B. Grinn, at Dawson, Md. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. A. Babin, the pastor, officiating. Yesterday at noon Mr. and Mrs. Hughes were guests at a dinner given at the Hughes home in Pittsburgh and last evening Dr. and Mrs. C. F. Schlar of Pittsburgh were a dinner at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. M. Grinn, at Dawson, Md. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Grinn, and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Grinn, of Dawson.

## XMAS AT DAWSON

Elaborate Programs are Rendered at the Churches There.

Various Christmas programs were rendered by the Sunday school of the Church of the Holy Trinity at Dawson, Md., and the Presbyterian Church at Dawson, Md. The programs were very elaborate and were well received by the audience.

## PURITY—QUALITY—FLAVOR



## Baker's Cocoa

Possesses All Three

It is absolutely pure, it is of high quality, and its flavor is delicious. Guard against imitations—the genuine has the trade-mark on the package and is MADE ONLY BY

WALTER BAKER & CO. Limited  
Established 1780 DORCHESTER, MASS.

## SOCIETY.

Since Christmas Eve, members of the Methodist Protestant Church carried out the English Christmas custom of going to the homes of their members and singing Christmas songs. The service was held at the home of Rev. J. H. Lumberton, the pastor, and his wife, and Rev. J. E. Camp of Pittsburg, a former pastor. The Cottage State Hospital was included in their visit. The choir of the First Baptist Church also carried out the custom for the first time. The singers were taken to the different homes in a large auto truck.

Special Christmas Music.

By a special request the special program of Christmas music rendered last Sunday morning by a choir of 18 voices at the service of the First Presbyterian Church at the Colonial Theatre will be repeated tomorrow evening. The program is as follows: Anthem, "Break Thou Into Joy," Simpson; "Oh Little Town of Bethlehem," Neidlinger.

The program for tomorrow morning is as follows: Anthem, "Angels From the Realms of Glory," Shellen; selection by double male quartet, "Sleep Holy Babe."

1913 Class to Meet.

A meeting of the Senior Class of the High School of which Joseph A. Thompson is president, will be held Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the High School.

Card Club to Meet.

Miss Helen North will entertain the Thursday afternoon card club Thursday afternoon, December 31, at 2 o'clock at her home in South Pittsburg street.

Mid Society Will Meet.

The Ladies Aid Society of the First Presbyterian Church will meet Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. G. May on Washington avenue.

Christmas Dinner.

Miss Eva Carl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carl of the West Side, and J. W. Davidson of Brownsville, were married Monday in Uniontown. Wednesday evening a wedding dinner was given at the home of the bride's parents in their honor.

Family Reunion.

A reunion of the family of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Holland was held yesterday at the family residence on Patterson avenue. Those present in addition to Mr. and Mrs. Holland were Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Holland, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Pope and son Frank, of Pittsburgh; Miss Irene Holland, a student nurse at the Columbia Hospital, Pittsburgh, and Ralph and Miss Ruth Holland.

Baker-Athley.

Miss Laura Elizabeth Baker of Conneville, and Daniel Webster Athley of Pittsburgh, Md., were married Wednesday at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. J. E. Baker, at Greenburg.

Merry in Cumberland.

Miss Ada Wilson of Southmont and Benjamin P. Jones of Mount Pleasant, both of Cumberland, were married at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. J. E. Baker, at Greenburg.

Christmas in the Churches.

Christmas was celebrated by the churches with appropriate and elaborate programs. The exercises were in charge of the children of the Sunday school who after several weeks of rehearsal under the direction of their teachers, presented entertaining programs in a very capable manner. The children also received their annual Christmas treats. All the churches were filled and the work of the children was greatly appreciated. Devotions in keeping with the Lucile season prevailed.

Among those who participated in the Christmas cantata at the Presbyterian Church at Dawson last evening were Donald McGill, who delivered the address of welcome; Ruth McEwen, Edna Newberry, Mary Zimmerman, Alda Schuyler, Anna Moline, Edith Carlson, Nellie Connel, Arthur Roun and Helen Moore. Dr. H. J. Bell and Rev. W. B. Parnell, the pastor, delivered addresses. About 100 children participated in the program.

Buttermore-Boon.

Miss Blanche Buttermore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Buttermore, of Greenburg, and William Boon of South Greenburg, were married in Greenburg Wednesday. Following the ceremony they came to Conneville and visited Mrs. J. W. Howard, an aunt of the bride, before leaving for Morgantown to spend Christmas with friends. They will be absent a week.

The bride was a telephone operator at the Westmoreland Greenburg Company at Greenburg and formerly resided in the West Side. She is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Buttermore of the West Side.

Dance at the Colonial Inn.

A dance will be held this evening at the Colonial Inn by members of the summer social set.

Go to Scotland.

Miss Charlotte Day has resigned her position with the Young Trust Company to accept a position at the Scotland bank as private secretary to W. P. Stuffer.

## PERSONAL.

Subson Theatre today, "The Black Triangle," new reel detective drama, "For the Mastery of the World," "The Gent of the Vase," comedy. Admission bill, five and 10 c.—Adv.

Churence Hoop of Tomstead spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hoop of Greenburg.

Charles Lumen of Morgantown, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. Lumen, over Christmas.

Ferry Sheetz was in Pittsburgh today.

Miss Edmonia DeWitt of Detroit, Mich., is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. DeWitt over the holidays.

Miss Frances Wood went to Pittsburgh this morning for a several days' visit.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Alabough of Perry visited at the home of Mrs. A. E. Lannon in the West Side over Christmas.

Charles Lumen of Perry was the guest of his mother, Mrs. A. E. Lannon yesterday.

N. H. Brown is visiting at his home in Charleston, W. Va.

Jack Adams spent Christmas at his home at Morgantown.

Harry Phillips of Jeannette was a guest yesterday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lennart on Highland avenue.

Miss Nellie Rankin went to Farmington today to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Adrian left Thursday afternoon for Steubenville, Ohio, where they spent Christmas with friends and relatives.

Joseph McConnell went to Pittsburgh Thursday afternoon.

T. J. O'Rourke, district superintendent of the International Correspondence Schools, left Thursday afternoon for Williamsburg where he spent Christmas.

Charles A. Thomas, cashier at the freight office of the Pennsylvania Railroad, left Thursday evening for Markleburg where he spent Christmas with his parents.

Miss Ruth Snyder of Pittsburgh is visiting at the home of Miss Mary Brinkman during the holidays.

Misses Hazel and Gwendolyn Richter were guests yesterday at the home of their uncle, T. H. Deyarmon at Dawson.

Mrs. Robert Orr, and two children, of Lonaconing, Md., are the guests of the former's mother, Mrs. J. C. Schuyler of Crawford avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. David Harrison and family, of Mount Pleasant, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Hillbrand of Greenburg yesterday.

Miss Ruth Sellers went to Conneville this morning to visit Miss Jeanette Dehaven, a former high school instructor.

Thomas Pitzer spent Christmas at his home at Morningside, W. Va.

Miss Anna McElroy of East Liverpool, O., is spending the Christmas holidays with her sisters, the Misses McElroy of the West Side.

Miss Josephine Kohacker of Mount Pleasant, was in town over night as the guest of friends.

Ray Lohrman of Kingswood, W. Va., spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lennart of Highland avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ingham and son John, of Pittsburgh, were the guests of Mrs. Emma Vane over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Handley and son, Robert, of Royal, returned home today after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Lohrman of West Peach street.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bridges of Readok, are spending the week end with Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Edmunds.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Strunk and daughter, Josephine, of Steubenville, O., spent Christmas with relatives here.

Mrs. W. J. Haller returned home Thursday evening from a visit with relatives in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Anderson of Greenburg, were the guests of Attorney and Mrs. E. P. Sterling of Uniontown yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Muckle and son, H. O., of the West Side, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hysand of Pittsburgh.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Douds and baby of Pittsburgh, are the guests of Mrs. J. R. Porter of East Green street.

Mrs. Mary Allen and daughter, Miss Nellie of Uniontown, were the guests of Attorney and Mrs. E. P. Matthews of the South Side over Christmas.

T. A. Gale, sporting editor of the Daily News, Cumberland, is visiting in town.

Arson-Kohacker.

The marriage of Miss Ella Arsony, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Arsony, of Pittsburgh, and Alfred J. Kohacker, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Kohacker of Mount Pleasant, will take place tomorrow evening at 6:30 o'clock at the home of the bride. Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Kohacker will leave for a wedding trip to Atlantic City.

Japan Gets an Island.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The Japanese embassy today received official advice from Tokyo that Russia had ceded to Japan its half of the island of Sakhalin for some heavy guns. The island was officially taken into possession, 1907. The southern half was ceded to Japan by the terms of the treaty of Portsmouth.

One Cont a Woman.

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## SANTA CLAUS IS VISITOR AT THE COOKING PLANTS

(Continued from Page One)

made their first appearance in public and the people of Leoben are enthusiastic over their success. Store Manager Frank Berkley liberally rewarded them for their services in the way of cash donations.

The treat at Leoben was in charge of Superintendent Charles B. Frank, Store Manager Frank Berkley, Lane Foreman Patrick McNeve, Machinist Charles "Bogard" Yard, Boss Philip Riley, Stable Boy Isaac Hall and Nicholas Slamon, Carpenter Ross Steve Hradlanger, and other officials at Leoben.

One thousand one-pound boxes of candy were distributed at the Union Supply Company store at Davidson yesterday morning. Here the supply was not great enough for the demand and 200 persons were given oranges and other fruit. People, old and young, lined up at the store early yesterday morning in order to be sure that they would receive their treat. Every one was cared for by Superintendent R. C. Heerhower and Store Manager A. W. Bowman.

At the 10 cooking plants, as well as at a number of other merchant operators in the region, Santa Claus was on the job and treated employees liberally.

## WINS A CABINET

Miss Amelia Schuler Wins in a Vote in Contest.

In the contest for a kitchen cabinet given away by Sedersky & Knapp, Miss Amelia Schuler has been announced the winner. The vote counted appeared in The Courier and Miss Schuler and her friends clipped 10,480 Miss Sadie Rosenfield came second with 4,570, and Miss Media Roberts came third with 2,310 followed by Miss Gertrude Geler with 1,370.

The contest was won by the regular size, 12, in manufactured by the G. I. Schuler Cabinet Company.

Hunting Margins?

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Transit Notices

for sale at The Courier Job Department.

## DEATHS.

Miss Anna Raymond, 24 years old, a student at the Memorial Hospital, Mount Pleasant, died Thursday at the hospital following a several weeks' illness of typhoid fever. The body was brought to Conneville and removed by Funeral Director J. E. Sims to the home of an uncle, E. L. Sims, No. 214 Market street, from which place the funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. E. H. Burgess, pastor of the Trinity Lutheran Church, will officiate. Interment in Hill Grove cemetery.

Miss Raymond was a daughter of Dennis and Catherine Raymond, and was born near Hill, Licking township, Feb. 12, 1890. She made her home with her uncle, E. L. Sims, and had been a student nurse at the Memorial hospital for three months. She had been ill for five weeks. Her parents and one brother, Eric Raymond of Middletown, survive.

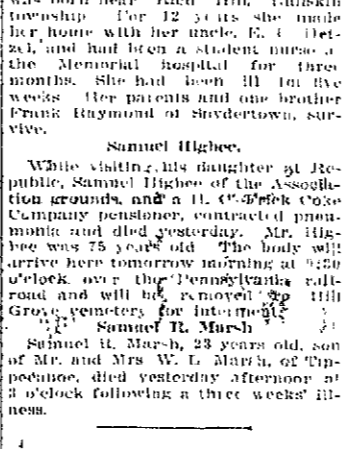
Samuel Higbee.

While visiting his daughter at Jeppia, Samuel Higbee of the Association, and a H. C. Higbee Coal Company pensioner, contracted pneumonia and died yesterday. Mr. Higbee was 75 years old. The body will arrive here tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock over the Pennsylvania railroad and will be removed to Hill Grove cemetery for interment.

Samuel H. March.

Samuel H. March, 23 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. March, of Uniontown, died yesterday afternoon at 6 o'clock following a three weeks' illness.

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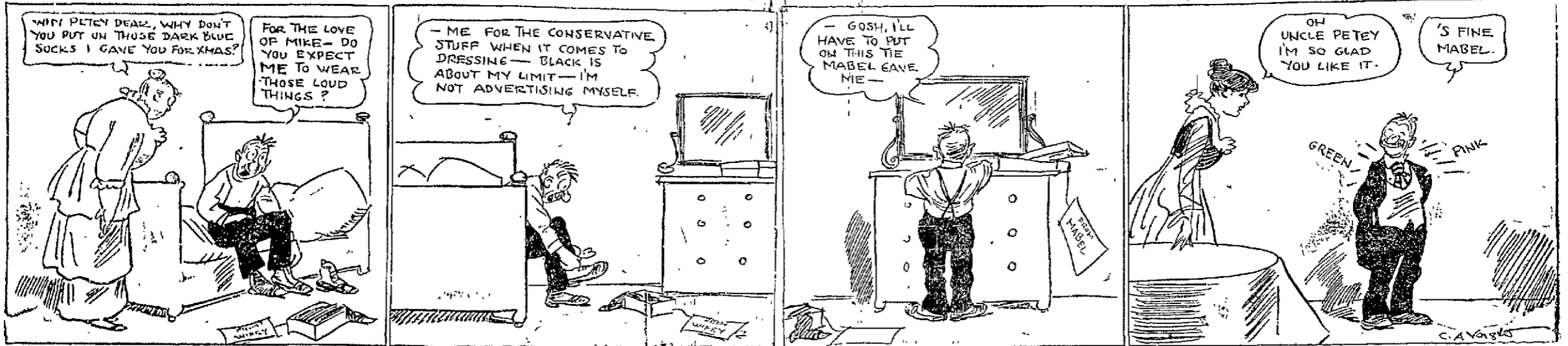
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"It Hits the Spot"

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PETEY DINK—Some Day Henrietta Will Get Jealous of Mabel



## Holiday Crowds Flock to Moving Picture Houses on Christmas Day

The moving picture houses were jammed yesterday as there were no other amusements scheduled, and it seemed that by afternoon and evening almost every one had seen all their presents and were ready to be amused.

At the Soisson, "Neptune's Daughter" was the attraction. With Annette Kellerman as the star. The film was a work of art and the scenery gave Miss Kellerman ample opportunity to display both her famous figure and her ability as a swimmer. The pictures were taken in Bermuda, where the natural scenery fitted splendidly with the plot. In addition to "Neptune's Daughter," Miss Kellerman also gave two comedy acts, making nine reels in all. It is the best bill the Soisson has offered, which is saying much.

Incidentally, Manager Robbins announced that he has contracted for the films of the Shuberts and W. A. Brady, which will begin in a few weeks. These are said to be the finest moving pictures offered at the Soisson at this time.

The Colonial inaugurated its semi-weekly moving picture program yesterday with Mary Pickford in "Such a Little Queen." Manager H. O. Keagy has booked the Paramount Pictures. This afternoon and tonight he is

ALFRED HENRY LEWIS  
WRITER OF WESTERN  
STORIES, IS DEAD



NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Alfred Henry Lewis, Washington newspaper correspondent and novelist, is dead. His western stories, particularly the "Wolfville" series, "The Thunderbolt" and "Sunset Trail," made him widely read.

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### THE SOISSON.

**"THE BLACK TRIANGLE" TODAY**

"The Black Triangle," the first of a series of detective plays, will be produced at the Soisson Theatre today. It is a detective play, the first play with a strong dramatic action. "For the Master of the World" is a three-act drama, full of mystery and intense situations. The Joker comedy, "The Joker," is a comedy of two acts of laughter. Monday—the second episode of "The Master Key" will be shown and on Wednesday the first of all moving picture dramas, "East Lynne," will be presented.

**"BILLY, THE KID"**

A fine production known to the Soisson is presented in the melodrama, "Billy, the Kid," which is again being presented with great success. The play in question is the tough specimen of femininity which is to be found only in perfection in the so-called drama hall affairs. It is a play in the far western country. She is bad all the way through, making her life a constant contact with the tender element and finds in such places. But because she is outside the pale, does not imply that these western women are only a display of everything that is good, for in the play is one taken from real life who does much to help the hero to confound his enemies. It is understood that in this melodrama, Berkeley Russell, who has been engaged to portray the title role, has found a play which meets his needs perfectly. The production is an elaborate one and the company in its support contains the names of many well known players. "Billy, the Kid" will be the attraction at the Soisson Theatre. Three acts, matinee and night, December 31.

### CONFERENCE.

**CONFERENCE, Dec. 25.**—Miss Edna Augustine, who teaches school at Thomas, W. Va., is home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Augustine.

**C. O. Thacker**, superintendent of the United Lumber Company, at Humboldt, was in town on business Thursday.

**Miss B. S. Allen** has returned to her home in Somersfield, after visiting her parents at Ohiopyle for several days.

**C. C. Butler**, a well-to-do farmer of Johnson Creek, was a pleasant visitor here yesterday.

The election is very fine here at present and it is being enjoyed very much by those who are fortunate enough to have a horse and sleigh.

**Harry Campbell**, a prominent young man of Humboldt, was visiting friends in town yesterday.

**J. D. McNott** is visiting his son, Benjamin, and family at Somersfield.

**Grover Conway** was a business visitor to Somersfield, after visiting his parents at Johnson Creek, where they will reside in the future.

**Morris Lancaster**, a leading resident of Humboldt, was here transacting business yesterday.

**Miss Mary Todd** has come to Lonsdale, Md., to visit her sister, Mrs. Annie McCall.

**Tom Williams**, a well known young man of New Hope, was here yesterday, on his way to Pittsburgh to visit friends.

**E. J. Dougherty**, a well known farmer of the Jones Church, was in town yesterday transacting business.

**Harry Hays**, of L. H. Hays & Co., of Rockwood, was visiting in town yesterday.

**Mr. and Mrs. Charles McDonald** and son Raymond, of Charleston, are visiting friends in Pottsville, Md.

### THE COLONIAL.

**"THE LOST PARADISE"**

H. B. Warner, the eminent dramatic favorite, makes his first appearance before the motion picture public in "The Lost Paradise" in five reels. This picture will be shown at the Colonial Theatre today, afternoon and night. A great play of capital and labor. A powerful pictorial argument in behalf of the oppressed laborer, whose lives build the wealth of nations and whose tears are crystallized in the jewels of the rich. A story of wealth of honor to have a girl's father from shame, and a strong story of love. Mr. Warner portrays the role of the man who arrives to recognize the containing elements. At the Colonial Theatre, today, afternoon and night.

### PERRYPOPOLIS.

**PERRYPOPOLIS, Dec. 25.**—T. D. Olson and wife entertained a number of guests at a Christmas dinner yesterday. Those from out of town were Mr. Allison and wife and daughter of East End, Pittsburgh, and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Koenig of Monaca.

The Christmas stocking in the First National Bank at Perryopolis was turned over to the committee of four ladies mentioned on last Monday. It was found to contain \$10 and in addition to the contributions of \$5 or over published on Monday the following gave likewise: Methodist Episcopal Sunday School, W. C. T. U., Episcopalian Church, M. M. Cochran and the First National Bank. The intention now is to make this an annual event at this season of the year.

**J. B. Snyder** and family spent Christmas in Rockwood.

**Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Stenger** were at Smithfield over Christmas.

**Thurman Hunsbaugh** and Leonard Blair of Uniontown, were at home here for Christmas.

**Edward Lutz** came over from Monaca to spend a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Lutz.

**Miss Mabel Martin**, who is attending King's School of Oratory, Pittsburgh, is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Martin.

The Christian Church presented a good Christmas service Christmas eve, special features being vocal solos by the children. The Christmas candy was given out at this time. The same evening the treat was given out at the Methodist Episcopal Church. A pleasant surprise was sprung when Dr. J. B. Martin presented the pastor with a very nice overcoat and Mrs. Younkins with a black fox muff. The Christmas program was given on Friday evening. It was well rendered. Several selections given by a quartet composed of Misses Pauline Hodgkins, Elizabeth Baker, Ethel Younkins and Mrs. Younkins were well received.

**James H. Hays** and brother Edwin, were visitors at Dickerson Run Wednesday.

**Miss Ada Hutterman**, a student at an Ohio school, is home for the holiday vacation.

**Miss Clara Cottom** of Van Wert, is a guest of town relatives and friends.

**PERRYPOPOLIS, Dec. 21.**—Mrs. Phoebe Arnold returned yesterday from a visit with Connellsville friends. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ramsey left yesterday to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives at Dawson.

**Charles Sturges** is able to be out in his car after being confined to his house for several weeks at Connellsville. His company yesterday were Rimer Snyder and family, Dr. J. B. Martin and wife, Mrs. Lizzie Pringle, Miss Clara Hutterman and Aunt Myers.

### OHIOVILLE.

**OHIOVILLE, Dec. 25.**—Mrs. J. W. Holt left Wednesday for Connellsville to spend the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Charles Collins.

**Mrs. Daniel Collins** and **Miss Cecelia Collins** were shopping and calling on Connellsville friends yesterday.

**W. H. Rafferty** and **Jesse Wolfe**, unloaded a car of coal for the Rockwell Lumber Company Wednesday.

**Mr. and Mrs. Grant Underman** were calling in Connellsville recently.

**Mrs. B. S. McNott** of Somersfield, who is visiting here, spent Wednesday in Connellsville.

**Mrs. L. N. Shaw** and son, **Leo**, spent Wednesday shopping in Connellsville.

**Mrs. Ernest H. Schaefer** left Wednesday evening to spend a few days in Somersfield.

**Frank Barnworth** was a business caller in Connellsville Wednesday.

**E. F. Woodman** was in Connellsville Wednesday on business.

**Mr. and Mrs. John Daniels** left Wednesday for a short visit in Uniontown.

**M. H. Hochstetler** was in Uniontown Wednesday on business.

**Dwaine Suller** is ill at his home on Commercial street.

**John Harko** was in Connellsville on Wednesday.

**OHIOVILLE, Dec. 25.**—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Robinson and daughter, Helen, of Ursina, arrived here yesterday morning to spend Xmas with friends.

**R. A. Shaw**, of Connellsville, spent Christmas here.

**Earle McClintock** left last evening to spend a few days with Ursina friends.

**Mr. and Mrs. Bert Barnworth** left for their home in Pittsburgh yesterday after a pleasant visit with friends at Slips.

**Elmer Wolfe** left last evening for Connellsville.

**Mr. and Mrs. Harry Maclella** are making a short visit with friends in Connellsville.

**Mr. and Mrs. James Thurnwald** were calling on Connellsville friends Thursday.

**Mrs. B. S. McNott** left for her home at Somersfield after a pleasant visit here.

**James Cunningham** spent Thursday in Somersfield.

**Harry Bryner** left for his work in Pittsburgh Thursday.

The entertainments in both Baptist Church and the M. E. Church were well patronized. Old Santa Claus came in the M. E. Church and distributed the treats from under the Christmas tree. All the children in both churches were very well treated.

**Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gaste** who have resided here for the past two years, move with their household goods to Indian Creek this week.

**Mrs. Lewis Shoenmaker** and daughter **Leona** of Pittsburgh, spent Christmas day with her parents, near here, Mr. and Mrs. L. Hall.

**George Stewart** was a Connellsville caller Thursday.

**Mr. and Mrs. L. Prantz** were Connellsville callers and shoppers on Thursday.

**Mr. and Mrs. John Morrison** and son of Connellsville spent Christmas with friends here.

### ROCKWOOD.

**ROCKWOOD, Dec. 24.**—James Wolfersher was badly injured on Wednesday while chopping wood. He was placed and out a brace upon his left foot above the knee, severing the tendons in the foot and causing two small bones to work out of

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MOUNT PLEASANT, Dec. 26.—Mount Pleasant had a community Christmas tree that stood within five feet of New York City's tree and there was real pine. The tree stood fifty-two feet high and was decorated with five-foot stars at the top and five hundred electric lights. The children's eye was taken by August Robinson, who faithfully portrayed the part of Santa Claus and was hailed as the town's Santa Claus. The children's eye was taken by August Robinson, who faithfully portrayed the part of Santa Claus and was hailed as the town's Santa Claus. The children's eye was taken by August Robinson, who faithfully portrayed the part of Santa Claus and was hailed as the town's Santa Claus.

On Thursday J. C. Smith, manager of the W. J. Knepper store at Adams, sent out five boxes of candy to children of the community. The children's eye was taken by August Robinson, who faithfully portrayed the part of Santa Claus and was hailed as the town's Santa Claus.

Yesterday morning when Mr. and Mrs. J. L. H. and the father's mother, Mrs. H. H. H. were preparing to come to Mount Pleasant for the tree, the tree was found to be in the wrong place. The children's eye was taken by August Robinson, who faithfully portrayed the part of Santa Claus and was hailed as the town's Santa Claus.

The fourth annual matinee dance of the Mount Pleasant Club held in the St. Louis yesterday was a great success. The money was to be used for the purchase of the tree. The children's eye was taken by August Robinson, who faithfully portrayed the part of Santa Claus and was hailed as the town's Santa Claus.

## SCOTTSVILLE

Special to The Courier  
SCOTTSVILLE, Dec. 26.—Although the town has been under a depression of industry for several months, the holiday business proved according to the statements of merchants, to be much better than was looked for. One of the main contributing causes is claimed to have been the Christmas savings clubs which were conducted by two of the local banks and which turned out several thousands of dollars in the year in accumulating money for Christmas time. The local business of town paid their employees on Thursday and this last pay at this time added a good deal. The borough also paid their employees for the Christmas season, following the usual custom in vogue for several years. The banks all opened up for business on Christmas eve. The churches and Sunday schools gave treats, mainly this year to the primary departments. The school of the church also conducted a system of receiving gifts for the needy and a good deal was thus brought in to aid the work of the Associated Churches, which carries on the organized effort along this line in town.

Christmas Day was a white one in every respect, the snowfall beginning the day before, insuring this condition, which added much to the spirit of those who were abroad, while the air was sharp and bracing.

COMMUNION DAY  
The Communion will be observed at the Methodist Episcopal Church at its morning and evening services on Sunday.

VISIT OF THE STORK  
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Woodell, daughter, on Thursday, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Dorety, a son, on Thursday night, and to Mr. and Mrs. William S. Bourke, a daughter on Saturday.

GRAND OPERA  
The installation of the newly elected officers of the Grand Opera, patrons of the opera, will take place at their hall in the Frick & Co. building, at a meeting on Monday, January 2, at 8 p. m. There is a large membership in this organization in Westmoreland and Fayette counties, and the installation is always an important event in the opera circles.

AT A. M. E. ZION CHURCH  
At the Scottsville A. M. E. Zion Church there were praise services held at 5:30 o'clock on Christmas morning, and were well attended. At 8 o'clock the evening service was held, and a Christmas tree for the Sunday school. On Thursday evening the regular Watch Night services will begin at 7 o'clock at the church, to be held by the pastor, Rev. J. D. Stead. Tomorrow's services will include preaching by Rev. J. H. Boone of Pittsburgh at 11 o'clock A. M., and by the pastor at 7:30 P. M.

RECOVERING  
S. H. Schirmer, a foreman at the United States Steel Plant, who was injured by a falling beam at the plant, is slowly recovering from a badly broken shoulder, received by being caught between two beams while inspecting his work.

DICKERSON RUN.  
DICKERSON RUN, Dec. 26.—Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Jacobs and daughter, Miss Grace, were calling on Mrs. J. C. Jacobs at her home on Connelville road, after a very pleasant visit with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson, Sunday at their home.

Alva Harshman of Vanderhill, was a Connelville business caller Friday evening. John McInerney returned to his home at Scottsville, after spending Christmas here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George McInerney. Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Hall of Vanderhill, spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Beatty were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Beatty of Connelville on Thursday.

Mr. William Gillespie was shopping in Connelville on Thursday. Dickerson Run, Dec. 26.—Dr. H. J. Hall of Vanderhill was a Pittsburg caller yesterday. Dr. J. H. Moran of Scottsville spent Tuesday here visiting his sister, Mrs. James Beatty.

Mr. William Gillespie was shopping in Connelville yesterday afternoon. Mrs. E. J. Beatty and Mrs. E. H. Beatty were calling on Vanderhill friends last evening. Mrs. Elizabeth Evans, Mrs. Archie Young, Mrs. Charles Huthorn, Mrs. Anna Watson, Mr. and Mrs. William Beatty were Connelville shoppers yesterday.

Mr. David of Brownville, spent yesterday here visiting relatives and friends. Mrs. E. J. Beatty was shopping in Connelville yesterday afternoon. Mrs. E. H. Beatty were calling on Vanderhill friends last evening. Mrs. Elizabeth Evans, Mrs. Archie Young, Mrs. Charles Huthorn, Mrs. Anna Watson, Mr. and Mrs. William Beatty were Connelville shoppers yesterday.

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# Dark Hollow

By Anna Katharine Green

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Where could he go that disgrace would not follow us? Let us then accept the judge's offer. I am the more inclined to do this because of the possibility that some day he may come to care for me and allow me to make life a little brighter for him. This fact that for some mysterious reason he feels himself cut off from all intercourse with his son, may prove a bond of sympathy between us. I too, am cut off from all companionship with Oliver. Between us also a veil is raised. Do not mind that fact, for, mamma, it is the best.

Kisses for my comforter. Come soon—REUTHFUL.

Over this letter Deborah Scoville sat for two hours, then she rang for Mrs. Yardley.

The maid who answered her summons surveyed her in amazement. It was the first time that she had seen her uncovered face.

Mrs. Yardley was not long in coming up.

"Mrs. Averill," she began, in a kind of flutter, as she met her strange guest's quiet eye.

But she got no further. That guest had a correction to make.

"My name is not Averill," she protested. "You must excuse the temporary deception. It is Scoville. I once occupied your present position in this house."

Mrs. Yardley had heard all about the Scovilles, and while a flush rose to her cheeks, her eyes snapped with sudden interest.

"Ah!" came in quick exclamation, followed, however, by an apologetic cough and the somewhat forced and conventional remark: "You find the place changed, no doubt?"

"Very much so, and for the better,"



"If You Deny Me I Shall Seek Another Counselor."

Mrs. Yardley. Then, with a straight forward meeting of the other's eye she quietly added, "I am going to live with Judge Ostrander, Mrs. Yardley—keep house for him, myself and daughter. His name is dead and he feels very helpless. I hope that I shall be able to make him comfortable."

Mrs. Yardley's face was a study. In all her life she had never heard news that surprised her more. In another moment she had accepted the situation, like the very sensible woman she was, and Mrs. Scoville had the satisfaction of seeing the promise of real friendly support in the smile with which Mrs. Yardley remarked:

"It's a good thing for you and a very good thing for the judge. It may shake him out of his habit of seclusion. If it does, you will be the city's benefactor. Good luck to you, madam. And you have a daughter, you say?"

After Mrs. Yardley's departure Mrs. Scoville, as she now expected herself to be called, sat for a long time brooding. There was one thing more to be accomplished. She set about it that evening.

Vellin, but in black now, she went into town. Getting down at the corner of Colburn avenue and Perry street, she walked a short distance on Perry, then turned the heel of an attractive-looking horse of moderate dimensions. Being admitted, she asked to see Mr. Black, and for an hour sat in close conversation with him. Then she took a trolley car which carried her into the suburbs. When she alighted, it was unusually late for a woman to be out alone; but she had very little physical fear, and walked on steadily enough for a block or two till she came to a corner, where a high fence loomed forbiddingly between her and a house so dark that it was impossible to distinguish between its chimneys and the encompassing trees. Was she quite alone in the seemingly quiet street? She could hear no one, see no one. A lamp burned in front of Mrs. Weeks' small house, but the road it illumined, the one running down to the ravine, showed only darkened houses.

She had left the corner and was passing the gate of the Ostrander homestead, when she heard, coming from some distant point within, a low

and peculiar sound which held her immovable for a moment, then sent her shuddering.

It was the sound of hammering. Hearing this sound and locating it where she did, she remembered, with a quick inner disturbance, that the judge's house held a secret; a secret of such import to its owner that this being held sought to preserve it at the cost of his life.

Oh, she had heard all about that the gossip at Claymore inn had been great, and nothing had been spared her curiosity. There was something in this house which it behooved the judge to secrete from sight yet more completely before her own and Reuther's entrance, and he was at work upon it now, hammering with his own and while other persons slept! No wonder she edged her way along the fence with a shuddering, yet persistent, step. She was circling her future home and that house held a mystery.

As she groped her way along, she and some opportunity to hear again the intermittent sounds of the hammer, and to note that they reached their maximum at a point where the all of the judge's study approached the corner.

Kat-tat-tat, kat-tat-tat. She hated the sound even while she whispered to herself:

"It is just some household matter to be at work upon—re-hanging pictures or putting up shelves. It can be nothing else."

Yet on laying her ear to the fence she felt her shudder return; and, with shuddering glances into a darkness which told her nothing, she added in fearful interior to herself:

"What am I taking Reuther into? With I know. I wish I knew."

## CHAPTER VII.

### A Bit of Steel.

"When are you going to Judge Ostrander's?"

"Tomorrow. This is my last free day. So if there is anything for me to do to tell me, Mr. Black, and let me get to work at once."

"There is nothing you can do. The matter is hopeless. I told you so the other night, and now, after a couple of days of thought on the subject, I am obliged to repeat my assertion. Your own convictions in the matter, and your story of the window and the locked cap may appeal to the public and assure you some sympathy, but for an entire reversal of its opinion you will need substantial and incontrovertible evidence. Find me something definite to go upon and we will talk."

Doubtfully she eyed him. "What you want," she observed at length, with a sigh, "in the name of the man who wandered down the ravine ahead of my husband. I cannot give it to you now, but I do not despair of learning it. I have got to renew old acquaintances; revive old gossip; possibly recall to life almost obliterated memories."

Mr. Black, dropping his hand from his vest, gave her his first look of unqualified admiration.

"You ring true," said he. "I have not men qualified to lead a forlorn hope; but never before a woman. At least me to express my regret that it is such a forlorn one."

Mrs. Scoville rose. Then she sat down again, with the remark:

"I have a strange notion. It's a hard thing to explain and you may not understand me, but I should like to see, if it still exists, the stick—to my husband's stick—with which this crime was committed. Do the police retain such things? Is there any possibility of my finding it laid away in some drawer at headquarters or on some dusty shelf?"

Mr. Black was again astonished. Was this callousness or a very deep and determined purpose?

"You shall see the stick if it is still to be found. I will take you to police headquarters if you will go heavily veiled. We don't want any recognition of you there yet."

"Mr. Black, you are very good. How soon?"

"Now," he announced, jumping up to get his hat.

There was one little fact of which Mr. Black was ignorant—that the police had had their eye on the veiled lady at Claymore inn for several days now and knew who his companion was the instant they stepped into headquarters. In vain his plausible excuses for showing his lady friend the curiosities of the place; her interest in the details of criminology was well understood by Sergeant Doallittle. Therefore, when he saw the small, mocking eye of the lawyer begin to roam over the shelves, and behind his jaw drop as he sometimes did when he sought to veil his purposes in an air of mild preoccupation, he knew what the next request would be, as well as if the low sounds which left Mr. Black's lips at intervals had been words instead of inarticulate grunts. He was, therefore, prepared when the question did come.

"Any memorial of the Ellertide case?"

"Nothing but a stick with blood-marks on it. That, I'm afraid, wouldn't be a very agreeable sight for a lady's eye."

"She's proof," the lawyer whispered to the officer's ear. "Let's see the stick."

The sergeant considered this a very interesting experience—quite a jolly break in the dull monotony of the day. Hunting up the stick, he laid it in the lawyer's hands, and then turned his eye upon the lady.

She had gone pale, but it took her but an instant to regain her composure and held out her own hand for the weapon.

And so the three stood there, the men's faces ironic, inquisitive, wondering at the woman's phlegm; if not at her motive; hers, hidden behind her veil, but bent forward over the weapon in an attitude of devouring interest. Thus for a long, slow minute; then she impulsively raised her head and, beckoning the two men nearer, she directed attention to a splintered portion of the handle and asked them what they saw there.

"Nothing," just stick," declared the sergeant. "The marks you are looking for are higher up."

"And you, Mr. Black?"

He saw nothing either but stick. But he was little less abrupt in his answer. "Do you mean those roughnesses?"

"He asked. 'That's where the stick was whittled. You remember that he had been whittling at the stick—'

"Who?"

"The word shot from her lips so violently that for a moment both men looked staggered by it. Then Mr. Black, with unaccustomed forbearance, answered slightly enough:

"Why, Scoville, madam; or so the prosecution congratulated itself upon having proved to the jury's satisfaction. It did not tally with Scoville's story or with common sense I know. You remember—pardon me—I mean that any one who read a report of the case, will remember how I handled the matter in my speech. But the pro-



She Had Gone Pale.

secution in favor of the prosecution—I will not say against the defense—was too much for me, and common sense of the defendant's declaration, and my eloquence all went for nothing."

"Of course, they produced the knife?"

"Was it a new knife, a whole one, I mean, with all its blades sharp and in good order?"

"Yes, I can say that. I handled it several times."

"Then, whose blade left that?" And again she pointed to the same place on the stick where her finger had fallen before.

"I don't know what you mean," the sergeant looked puzzled. Perhaps, his insight was not very keen.

"Have you a magnifying glass? There is something embedded in this wood. Try and find out what it is."

The sergeant, with a queer look at Mr. Black, who returned it with interest, went for a glass, and when he had used it, the stars he gave the heavily veiled woman drove Mr. Black to reach out his own hand for the glass.

"Well," he burst forth, after a prolonged scrutiny, "there is something there."

"The point of a knife blade. The extreme point," she emphasized. "It might easily escape the observation even of the most critical, without such aid as is given by this glass."

"No one thought of using a magnifying glass on this," blurted out the sergeant. "The marks made by the knife were plain enough for all to see, and that was all which seemed important."

Mr. Black said nothing; he was feeling a trifle cheap—something which did not agree with his crusty nature. Not having seen Mrs. Scoville for a half-hour without her veil, her influence over him was on the wane, and he began to regret that he had laid himself open to this humiliation.

She saw that it would be left for her to wind up the interview and get out of the place without arousing too much attention. With a self-possession which astonished both men, knowing her immense interest in this matter, she laid down the stick, and with a gentle shrug of her shoulders, remarked in an easy tone:

"Well, it's curious! The ins and outs of a crime, I mean. Such a discovery ten years after the event (I think you said ten years) is very interesting." Then she sighed: "Alas! it's too late to benefit the case whose life it might have saved. Mr. Black, shall we be going? I have spent a most entertaining quarter of an hour."

Mr. Black glanced from her to the sergeant before he joined her. Then, with one of his sour smiles directed towards the former, he said:

"I wouldn't be talking about this, sergeant. It will do no good, and may subject us to ridicule."

The sergeant, none too well pleased, nodded slightly. Seeing which, she spoke up:

"I don't know about that. I should think it but proper reparation to the dead to let it be known that his own story of innocence has resolved this into confirmation."

But the lawyer continued to shake his head, with a very sharp look at the sergeant. If he could have his way he would have this matter stop just where it was.

"This is my daughter, Judge Ostrander; Reuther, this is the judge."

The introduction took place at the outer gates whether the judge had gone to receive them.

Reuther threw aside her veil and looked up into the face bent courteously towards her. It had no look of Oliver. They were two eyes not withstanding, glowing by nature, but just now, with a feeling that took away all her fear, she was going to like her, she saw it in every trembling line of this countenance, and at the thought a smile rose to her lips.

With a courteous gesture he invited them in, but stopping to lock the gate before leading them through the filter, Mrs. Scoville had time to observe that since her last visit with its accompanying crowd of the populace, the two openings which at this point gave access to the walk between the fences had been closed with much noisy rudo and clug that they must have come from some old lumber pile in attic or cellar.

The judge detected her looking at them.

"I have cut off my nightly promenade," said he. "With youth in the house, more cheerful habits must prevail. Tomorrow I shall have my lawn cut, and if I must walk after sundown I will walk there."

The two women exchanged glances. Perhaps their gloomy anticipations were not going to be realized.

But once within the house, the judge showed embarrassment.

"I have few comforts to offer," said he, opening a door at his right and then hastily closing it again. "This part of the house is, as you see, completely dismantled, and not very clean. But you shall have carte blanche to arrange to your liking one of these rooms for your sitting room and parlor. There is furniture in the attic and you may buy freely what ever else is necessary. I don't want to discourage little Reuther. As for your bedrooms—"

He stopped, homed a little and flushed a vivid red as he pointed up the dingy flight of uncarpeted stairs towards which he led them. "They are above; but it is with shame I admit that I have not gone above this door for many years. Consequently, I don't know how it looks up there or whether you can even find towels and things. Have I counted too much on your good nature?"

"No; not at all. In fact, you simply arouse all the housekeeping instincts within me."

The judge drew a breath of relief and led Reuther towards a door at the end of the hall.

"This is the way to the dining room and kitchen," he explained. "I have been accustomed to having my meals served in my own room, but now that I shall join you at table, 'fore,' he continued, leading her up to the iron door, "is the entrance to my den. You may knock here if you want me, but there is a curtain beyond, which no one lifts but myself. You understand, my dear, and will excuse an old man's eccentricities?"

She smiled, rejoicing only in the earnest voice, and in the yearning, almost fatherly, manner with which he surveyed her.

"I quite understand," she said; "and so will mother."

"Reuther," he now observed with a strange intermixture of gentleness and authority, "there is one thing I wish to say to you at the very start. I may grow to love you—God knows that a little affection would be a welcome change in my life—but I want you to know and know now, that all the love in the world will not change my devotion to the propriety of a match between you and my son Oliver. That settled, there is no reason why all should not be clear between us."

"All is clear."

Paint and far off the words sounded, though she was standing so near he could have laid his hand on her shoulder. Then she gave one sob as though in saying this she heard the last chord fall upon what would never see resurrection again in this life, and, lifting her head, looked him straight in the eye with a decision and a sweetness which bowed his spirit and caused his head to turn to fall upon his breast.

"What a father can do for a child, I will do for you," he murmured, and fed her back to her mother.

A week, and Deborah Scoville had evolved a home out of chaos. That is, within limits. She had not entered the judge's rooms, nor even offered to do so. Later, there must be a change. So particular a man as the judge would soon find himself too uncomfortable to endure the lack of those attentions which he had been used to in his day. He had not even asked for clean sheets, and sometimes she had found herself wondering, with a strange shuddering of her heart, if his bed was ever made, or whether he had not been driven at times to lie down in his clothes.

She had some reason for these doubtful conclusions. In her ramblings through the house she had come upon the kitchen and she had been much amazed at its condition. In some respects it looked as decent as she could expect, but in the matter of bed and bed clothes it presented an aspect somewhat startling. The

clothes were there, tossed in a heap on the floor, but there was no bed in sight nor anything which could have served as such.

It had been dragged out. Evidences of this were everywhere on the narrow, twisted staircase. A smile, half pitiful, half self-scorful, curved her lips as she remembered the rat-tat-tat she had heard on that dismal night when she stood listening to the fence, and wondered now if it had not been the bumping of this cot sliding from step to step.

But not the repeated stroke of a hammer is unmistakable. He had played the carpenter that night as well as the mover, and with no visible results. Mystery still reigned in the house for all the charm and order she had brought into it; a mystery which deeply interested her, and which she yet hoped to solve, notwithstanding its remoteness from the real problem of her existence.

## CHAPTER VIII.

### The Picture.

Night! and Deborah Scoville waiting anxiously for Reuther to sleep, that she might undisturbed over a new and disturbing event which for the whole day had shaken her out of her wonted poise, and given, as it were, a new phase to her life in this house.

Already had she stopped several times to her daughter's room and looked in, only to meet Reuther's unquiet eye turned toward hers in silent inquiry. Was her own uneasiness infectious? Was the child determined to share her vigil? She would wait a little longer this time and see.

Their rooms were over the parlor, and thus as far removed as possible from the judge's den. In her own, which was front, she felt at perfect ease, and it was without any fear of disturbing either him or Reuther that she finally raised her window and allowed the cool wind to soothe her heated cheeks. The moon emerged from swirling clouds as she quietly watched the scene.

Buried, as she was, in a window overlooking the fence, she had but to lift her eyes from the double fence (that symbol of sad exclusion) to light on the trees rising above that unspoken

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# Saturday, December 26th--All Suits For Women: Half Price

## ALL DRESSES Half Price

The dresses are for all occasions of wear: serge or wool crepe for home or street apparel; crepe de chine, crepe meteor, charmeuse and other silk dresses for afternoon dress, evening and church wear; lace, chiffon, net and delicate silk for dance, party dinner, and receptions. Women's and girls, models and sizes. Late style creations, splendid textures and making.

Original prices, starting with serge, were 5.95, upward to \$35 for a lovely costume of silk-and-velvet. Pay half the original price.

## CLOTH COATS Fourth Off

Take one-fourth off the price of any coat in stock for children, misses or women. All are thus reduced, the dressy creations as well as the staple styles for constant wear. Nearly a score of different winter textures and almost as many styles; and all are new, fresh, in-fashion and well liked. No finer collection anywhere to choose from.

Prices were 7.50 to \$35. for women's sizes; and lower for children's and misses, garments.

Whatever the original price deduct  $\frac{1}{4}$  and save the difference.

## ALL OUR FURS Fourth Off

You may deduct one-fourth from the rightful price of any fur garment in stock, muff, neckpiece, set or coat and keep the difference in price. Our furs are sound the pelts being perfect in texture, marking and making. The fur fashions are of this season's design flat or round muffs, long neckpieces, proper length coats long or cutaway. This stock is safe to choose from and splendidly varied. We've plenty of the staple furs and very fine novelties.

Sets \$5. to \$125. at 3.75 to 93.75; coats \$25. to \$150.

## 104 HATS Half Price

Now 104 trimmed hats for women and children are lowered in price to half. All kinds are included, exquisite affairs for strict dress, rich with fine fur and gorgeous Paradise or Ostrich; and simple hats for general wear, daintily, dressy and trimmed with feathers, fur ornaments, flowers and. Black hats with colorful trimmings! Little hats, big hats or sizes between; a lovely creation, to round out the winter is not going to cost much now, half in fact the earlier prices. Were \$1.00 to \$25. each.

## Women's \$15 to \$50 Suits HALF PRICE

\$15.00 suits . . . . .	\$7.50	\$32.50 suits . . . . .	\$16.75
19.75 suits . . . . .	9.88	35.00 suits . . . . .	17.50
25.00 suits . . . . .	12.50	39.75 suits . . . . .	19.88
29.75 suits . . . . .	14.88	50.00 suits . . . . .	25.00

—Everything included: the suits of velvet-and-fur; of broadcloth, serge, cheviot, gabardine, cord weaves and novelty cloths—black, blue and other winter colors; odd sizes and regular, misses' models and women's, fancy suits and plain. Second floor—Sale Saturday.

## All Holiday Goods Cut 1-4 AND 1-2

—Toys 1-4 and 1-2 Less	—Gift Booklets 1-4 Less
—All Silver 1-2 Less	—Soiled Linens 1-4 Less
—All Brass Wares 1-2 Less	—All Calenders 1-2 Less
—All Leather nov. 1-4 Less	—Fancy Baskets 1-2 Less

—Besides, made-up novelty needlework of a holiday nature will sell at half price; and the finished pieces of art needle work—cushions, decorative pieces, lingerie, children's apparel and such—1-4 less. The store over, special prices will meet your gaze.

## WRIGHT-METZLER COMPANY, CONNELLSVILLE

### WIRE IN DEMAND BY NATIONS NOW ENGAGED IN WAR

Nearly \$4,000,000 Worth of  
Inquiries Now in Hands  
of Pittsburgh Firms.

### SPECIFICATIONS ARE CHANGED

Heavier Wire is Demanded, Not Only  
for Strength, but to Carry a Strong  
Electric Current; France, England  
and Russia are the Big Buyers.

Demand for barbed wire for defensive purposes among the European nations now at war, has reached almost a feverish state among the Pittsburgh wire mills again. And not only has this affected barbed wire, but plain wire, though the facts concerning the purpose for which plain wire is needed seems to be obscure.

At present there are orders of orders to mills in the Pittsburgh district for barbed and plain wire that approximate 125,000 tons, the largest amount of wire business that has ever been suggested at one time since the war began. This is valued at nearly \$4,000,000. Of this vast tonnage, which is enough to keep the wire mills going to capacity for months, 25,000 tons will be of barbed wire of a special design, and the remainder of 100,000 tons of plain wire. The only question at issue apparently is regarding the earliest time that mills can make deliveries. Thus far they are up to the minute on all delivery contracts and new business is being taken only with absolute guarantee of time of filling orders.

One of the leading wire companies in the Pittsburgh district reported yesterday that its business alone for barbed wire and plain wire now reaches over 150,000 tons. These inquiries are from many different sources and are believed not to be duplications. If the business continues as it started, the wire trade for the next six months will be the largest in volume in the history of the country.

An illustration of the size of the pending business which is expected to

be closed within the present week, it is said that the 25,000 tons of barbed wire, represents more than 50,000 miles of barbed wire strand. The total mileage of all the wire orders pending reach over 275,000 miles of single strand.

Since the demand for barbed wire began for European military services, there has been some interesting changes made in the type of barbed wire used. The wire mills made a much heavier wire in the first place with a greater tensile strength and resistance to pressure when put up in a defense. It is also capable of carrying a heavier charge of electric current when this is added. Then to make it still more effective the bars are extra long and are placed only 2½ inches apart, instead of four and five inches apart when such material is used for fencing.

Stretching this material across roads, and in front of trenches makes almost an impregnable defense for soldiers from charging hosts. The German method of dealing with this situation as reported to the wire millers, has been to equip armored motor cars with automatic shears or a knife arrangement which projects slightly ahead of the car and is powerful enough to sever the wire in its path. Various notions are being resorted to now to overcome this cutting, all of which increases the amount of wire used.

France, England and Russia, are and have been heavy users of this Pittsburgh product. English demand has become unusually heavy of late.

### A BIG BUYING MOVEMENT IN THE STEEL BUSINESS

Is in Progress With Good Prospects  
of Developing Into a Boom.

The Railroad Demand.

NEW YORK, December 23. — The American Metal Market and Daily Iron & Steel Report will review the steel and iron situation tomorrow as follows:

A general buying movement in steel products is now in progress, with prospects that it will continue through the holidays. In bars, plates and shapes the bookings are such that the days of the 1902 price, now applying to orders with specifications for immediate rolling, are clearly numbered, and the 1.10c price now applying on first quarter contracts is likely to disappear likewise. In sheets some large interests are beginning to consider the withdrawal of minimum prices. The tin plate contract business for next season has practically all

been done, with smaller quantity differentials than obtained in the season just ended. In billets and sheet bars the Pittsburgh mills are endeavoring to secure higher prices, though some for the Youngstown mills appear still to be low sellers.

The Interstate Commerce Commission's decision in the eastern rate case has been received with great satisfaction in the iron and steel trade. The first effect expected is greater confidence in the steel market future on the part of outside buyers, with railroad orders to follow later. There are rumors of important inquiries for rails and cars to come from the Pennsylvania Railroad Company and of smaller inquiries from western roads. No important increase in railroad buying is expected for a few weeks.

Shipping orders for steel products received thus far this month represent an average increase of 25 to 50% over the corresponding period in November, while contract bookings are much lower. We predict that the Steel Corporation's statement of unfilled obligations December 31st will show an increase during December of more than 600,000 tons, as contrasted with the continued decrease of the past three months.

It is now understood that there will be no general reductions in wages and salaries in the iron and steel industry, though the minor reductions lately made may be followed by a few others.

Substantially all the Connellsville coke required for present furnace operations has been placed under contract for the new year.

### RAILROAD EARNINGS.

Operating Income of Major Roads in October Was \$75,775,938.

During the month of October, according to a statement issued by the Interstate Commerce Commission, railroads in the United States doing a business of more than \$1,000,000 a year earned revenue amounting to \$266,793,864. Expenses amounted to \$179,431,409. The railway operating income was \$75,775,938.

For the four months ended with October last the total revenue was \$1,050,578,371 and expenses aggregated \$761,568,032. The railway operating income for this period was \$299,207,360.

**Jailed for Murder.**  
WILLIAMSON, W. Va., Dec. 24. — James Dempsey was brought to jail here today charged with the murder of William Beckert on the latter's farm near here last night.

## SOISSON THEATRE

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THE FIVE-REEL DETECTIVE DRAMA

"THE BLACK TRIANGLE"

THE THREE-REEL MYSTERY DRAMA

"For The Mastery of The World"

THE JOKER COMEDY

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